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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Response in reply to the May 15, 2006 Final Office Action and to the October 17, 2006 interview conducted at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Amendments to the Specification:

None.

Amendments to the Claims:

Begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Drawings:

None.

Remarks and Substance of the Interview: Begin on page 4.